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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: ELIE HELOU JR. *ET AL.*

APPLICATION NO.: 10/608,441

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FOR: **METHOD FOR USE IN BAKING ARTICLES  
OF MANUFACTURE AND MOLD FOR USE  
IN SAID METHOD**

EXAMINER: THUKHANH T. NGUYEN

ART UNIT: 1722

CONF. NO: 7142

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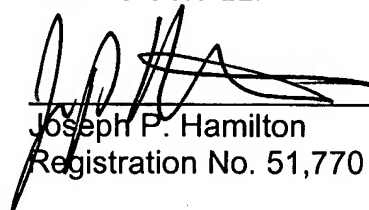
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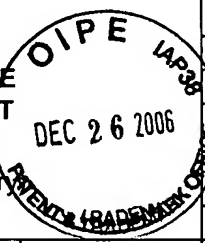
  
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